

Sidebar Documentation

The Sidebar component is a comprehensive navigation component designed to provide structured navigation, user management, and content organization in modern web applications. It features collapsible functionality, nested menu structures, user profiles, and integrated search capabilities. The component offers a flexible and responsive sidebar solution that can adapt to different screen sizes and user preferences, making it ideal for dashboards, admin panels, and complex navigation systems.

How to use

Basic Usage

Simple sidebar with basic navigation and user profile.

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<div class="sidebar-demo">
  <aava-sidebar
    [width]="sidebarWidth()"
    [collapsedWidth]="collapsedSidebarWidth()"
    [showCollapseButton]="true"
    [buttonVariant]="'inside'"
    [isCollapsed]="isCollapsed()"
    [position]="'left'"
    (collapseToggle)="onCollapseToggle($event)"
  >
    <div class="demo-header-content">
      <span class="header-title">My App</span>
    </div>

    <ul slot="content" class="demo-content">
      <li
        *ngFor="let item of menuItems"
        [class.active]="item.active"
        class="nav-item"
      >
        <span class="nav-icon">{{ item.icon }}</span>
        <span *ngIf="!isCollapsed()">{{ item.label }}</span>
      </li>
    </ul>
  </aava-sidebar>
</div>

```

```

isCollapsed = signal<boolean>(false);
sidebarWidth = signal<string>('280px');
collapsedSidebarWidth = signal<string>('70px');

menuItems = [
  { icon: '■', label: 'Dashboard', active: true },
  { icon: '■', label: 'Users' },
  { icon: '■', label: 'Projects' },
  { icon: '■', label: 'Analytics' },
  { icon: '■■', label: 'Settings' },
];

onCollapseToggle(collapsed: boolean): void {
  this.isCollapsed.set(collapsed);
}

```

Features

Responsive Design

- Automatic size adjustments based on screen dimensions
- Collapsible functionality for space optimization
- Mobile-friendly collapsed state

Flexible Layout

- Three size variants for different use cases
- Configurable header and footer sections
- Custom content projection slots

Advanced Navigation

- Nested sub-menu support with expandable sections
- Active state management for navigation items
- Icon support for visual navigation

User Experience

- Integrated search functionality
- User profile display and interaction
- Smooth collapse/expand animations

Customization

- Logo and branding options
- Theme-aware styling
- CSS custom properties for theming

API Reference

Input Properties

| Property | Type | Default | Description |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|
| width | string | " | Sidebar width |
| collapsedWidth | string | '108px' | Collapsed sidebar width |
| height | string | " | Sidebar height |
| hoverAreaWidth | string | '10px' | Hover area width |
| showCollapseButton | boolean | true | Show collapse/expand button |
| buttonVariant | 'inside' 'outside' | 'inside' | Collapse button position |
| isCollapsed | boolean | false | Initial collapsed state |
| position | 'left' 'right' | 'left' | Sidebar position |
| toggleOffset | number | 400 | Toggle button offset |
| togglePosition | 'top' 'center' 'bottom' | 'top' | Toggle button position |
| customStyles | Record | {} | Custom CSS styles |

Output Events

| Event | Type | Description |
|----------------|--------------|---|
| collapseToggle | EventEmitter | Emitted when sidebar collapse state changes |

Content Projection Slots

| Selector | Description |
|----------------|--|
| [slot=content] | Custom content above the navigation menu |
| [slot=footer] | Custom footer content above user profile |

Best Practices

Menu Organization

- Logical Grouping : Group related menu items together
- Hierarchical Structure : Use sub-menus for complex navigation
- Consistent Icons : Use meaningful and consistent icons for menu items
- Clear Labels : Provide descriptive text for navigation items

Responsive Considerations

- Mobile-First : Design for mobile devices first
- Collapsed State : Ensure collapsed sidebar remains functional
- Touch Targets : Maintain adequate touch target sizes
- Content Priority : Prioritize essential navigation in collapsed state

User Experience

- Search Integration : Implement search for applications with many menu items
- Active States : Clearly indicate current navigation location
- Smooth Transitions : Use smooth animations for state changes
- Accessibility : Ensure keyboard navigation and screen reader support

Performance

- Lazy Loading : Load sub-menu content on demand
- Efficient Rendering : Use OnPush change detection strategy
- Memory Management : Clean up event listeners and subscriptions

Styling

The sidebar component uses CSS custom properties for theming:

CSS Custom Properties

| Property | Default Value | Description |
|----------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|
| --sidebar-background | #ffffff | Background color of the sidebar |
| --sidebar-border | #e2e8f0 | Border color of the sidebar |